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 For : BAKING RACK ASSEMBLY AND METHOD FOR  
 AUTOMATIC BREAD MAKING MACHINE

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents:

Please amend the application as follows:

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In the Claims:

Please amend claims 1, 6, 11, and 16 to read as follows:

1. (Twice Amended) A baking rack assembly for an automatic bread making machine comprising:

a frame having two opposing, laterally spaced sidewalls extending upward from and coupled to a base member; and

a plurality of trays coupled to and supported by the two sidewalls of the frame in vertically spaced relation to each other, each tray providing a substantially horizontal support surface for a quantity of dough wherein the frame has a permanent opening between the two